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## Otis Historical Archives

### OHA 161 Fort Sam Houston Lantern Slides

**Accession:** 1991.3025

**Date of Records:** 1949-1955

**Size:** 1 Box, .5 linear ft

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**Background Note:** This collection was transferred from the Academy of Health Sciences at Fort Sam Houston in 1991. Given the presentation text and clinical subject matter, these slides were likely an instructional series used at Brooke Army Medical Center (BAMC) in the late 1940s through the 1950s. This material appears to be a very small percentage of a much larger collection of training slides.

**Series/Scope and Content Note:** This collection is arranged based on information written on the slides: different numeric “sets” and then by slide number within the sets. The slide number ranges are not inclusive, as not every slide in that range is present. The total number of slides is included in parentheses. It is clear that the sets were once much larger and many slides are missing but topics are still discernable and a few number ranges are intact.

## BOX AND CONTENT LIST

### Box 001:

- Set 2, numbers 46-57 (11 slides)  
Bone graft procedure on a thumb when only the metacarpal is present.  
April 19, 1955
- Set2, numbers 61-65 (5 slides)  
Amputation of the third digit, showing healing and development of scar tissue.  
August 20, 1954



- Set 38, numbers 40-80 (7 slides)  
Microscopic images documenting bone formation, as well as instructional slides with text and drawings of bone formation.  
1951-1955
- Set 39, numbers 2-32 (20 slides)  
Primarily images of orthotic devices and mobility aids for the legs, such as braces and crutches, some with textual information (probably reproduced from a book). A few slides reference specific patients and medical ailments, such as congenital conditions or illnesses like polio.  
1949-1955
- Set 39, numbers 38-48 (8 slides)  
Primarily images of orthotic devices and mobility aids for the arms and hands, such as braces and splints, some photographs were probably reproduced from a book).  
1952-1955
- Set 42, numbers 1-7, two unnumbered (6 slides)  
Captions for a presentation about “medullary fixation of the femur.” Captions reference “figures” which do not appear to be part of the collection.  
Undated
- Set 42, numbers 35-65 (11 slides)  
Text slides, presentation “Treatment of FXS [fractures] – mass casualty”  
Undated
- Set 42, numbers 66-70 (5 slides)  
Text slides, presentation “Plaster application”  
Undated